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TAGS: EAID, KU

SUBJECT: GOK REQUESTS GSA DOCUMENTS AND ASSISTANCE

1. EMBASSY HAS BEEN APPROACHED BY OFFICIALS OF CONTROLLERATE GOVERNMENT STORES (CGS) IN MINISTRY FINANCE AND OIL, INCLUDING CANADIAN CITIZEN UNDP ADVISOR, FOR INFORMATION REGARDING US GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION.

2. APPARENTLY CGS BEGINNING ESTABLISHMENT OF STANDARDIZED SUPPLY SYSTEM FOR ALL GOK MINISTRIES. UNDP ADVISOR ASSISTING IN THIS AND HAS URGED ADOPTION OF FRAMEWORK AND PROCEDURES OF GSA SYSTEM. HE HAS REQUESTED COMPLETE SET OF GSA PUBLICATIONS THROUGH UN CHANNELS BUT THEY HAVE NOT BEEN RECEIVED.

3. SPECIFIC REQUESTS FROM CGS ARE FOR:

(A) ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING COMPREHENSIVE SET OF GSA PUBLICATIONS, INCLUDING CATALOGS, PROCEDURAL GUIDES, SELECTED SAMPLES OF FEDERAL SUPPLY SCHEDULES AND GSA TECHNICAL MANUALS SUCH AS THOSE OUTLINING WAREHOUSING OPERATIONS, PACKING AND CRATING, ETC.

(B) INFORMATION REGARDING POSSIBILITY OBTAINING TRAINING BOTH IN US AND KUWAIT FOR GOK EMPLOYEES AND OFFICIALS ESTABLISHING NEW SYSTEM,

(C) INFORMATION REGARDING POSSIBILITY OBTAINING USG  
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TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE (REIMBURSABLE) TO ASSIST IN ESTABLISH-

ING NEW SYSTEM, AND

(D) ESTIMATED POSSIBLE COST OF SETTING UP SUCH A SYSTEM.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY BELIEVES THIS MIGHT BE SUBSTANTIAL OPPORTUNITY FOR INCREASING GOK/USG TIES, AND WE URGE A FAVORABLE RESPONSE. AS FIRST STEP WE HOPE DOCUMENTS REQUESTED PARA 3 (A) ABOVE CAN BE PROVIDED EXPEDITIOUSLY PREFERABLY THROUGH EMBASSY. IN ADDITION WE WOULD LIKE AS MUCH INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE REGARDING ASSISTANCE REQUESTED PARAS 3 (B) AND (C). WOULD ALSO LIKE TO KNOW WHETHER GSA COULD SEND SMALL TEAM OF PERHAPS ONE OR TWO EXPERTS (ON REIMBURSABLE BASIS) TO SURVEY THE SITUATION, IF REQUESTED BY GOK.  
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